

ACCESSING PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO THE FFAST ONLINE SYSTEM

The State Water Board's Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) uses an online system called FFAST (Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool) to administer many of its loan and grant programs.

Once a proposal has been submitted to DFA, it becomes public record. Proposals submitted via the FFAST online system are available for public viewing at the following web page:

<https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov/PublicProposalsSearch.asp>

This tool is offered to the public for the purpose of filling routine public records requests. Since the search tool was released in February 2006, it has reduced public records requests for grant and loan information by approximately 80%.

Please note that not all programs currently use FFAST to submit their applications. Applications submitted to the following funding programs are available for viewing online as of October 11, 2006:

- 2005-06 Consolidated Grants Program, Concept and Full Proposals
- Agriculture Water Quality Grants Program
- Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Step 1
- Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Step 2 (Call Back Only)
- Integrated Regional Water Management Planning
- Water Recycling Competitive Project List January 2005

Please also note that current status of applications is not yet available online but will be added soon. Members of the public who wish to see the current status of a grant or loan program, or view the lists of recently funded proposals should continue to use the main Division web page <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/funding/index.html>

If you have any questions or feedback on the online proposal search tool, please contact the FFAST team at FFAST_ADMIN@waterboards.ca.gov or 1-866-434-1083.